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The enclosed documents were cited in the International Search Report for International (PCT) Application No. PCT/IB2003/003475, filed August 22, 2003, of which the above-identified application is a national stage application filed under 35 U.S.C. 371.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted prior to a first Office Action on the merits in the above-identified application. Accordingly, requirements of 37 C.F.R. 1.97(b) are satisfied.


To the extent that the enclosed documents are not in English, it is respectfully submitted that requirements of 37 CFR 1.98(a)(3) are satisfied by the English abstract of the cited document and/or English translations.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that all applicable requirements of 37 CFR 1.97 & 1.98 have been satisfied, in connection with present submission of the enclosed documents. Accordingly, consideration of the enclosed documents, upon examination of the above-identified application, is respectfully requested.

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